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NO TIME IS SET FOR MAKING THE NEXT DRAFT

Washington, Feb. 20. Secretary Baker authorized the statement today that no date had been selected for the beginning of the second draft.

The government disposition not to disturb the labor situation, particularly on farms at the planting season, is one of the factors entering into the situation.

The provost marshal general's office, it is understood, is disinclined to go ahead with the second draft until congress has perfected the law by pending amendments to change the basis of apportionment and to authorize the president to call into the military service men skilled in industry and agriculture, regardless of previous classification.

The remaining increments of the first draft will begin to move forward to the camps beginning this week.

It is probable that next month local boards may be asked to forward small increments necessary to replace men going over seas but the expected summons of half a million will be later.

Plans for the second draft are now under consideration, including calling 100,000 a month until the second quota is complete. In that way, officials expect to avoid much of the confusion which accompanied the first call.

It has been definitely settled that the first contingent will be used to fill vacancies in national guard divisions caused by the withdrawal of men for the organization of special and technical units. Similar vacancies in the national army divisions will have been filled by that time from the final increment of the first draft.

Preferred draft classification for railroad employees is under consideration between the war department and the railroad administration. It became known today.

RESIDENCE PROPERTY ACTIVE

Probably at no time during the past few years has residence property been so active as in Clovis as it is right now. There have been a number of residences in Clovis sold during the past few weeks.

The Department of Agriculture is urging poultry raising to increase the food supply. A bulletin "Back Yard Poultry Keeping" has been issued, and may be secured without cost by application to the division of publications, Department of Agriculture.

Lyceum Theatre

PROGRAM

Friday, Feb. 22 to Thursday, Feb. 28. Friday, Feb. 22 and Saturday matinee - Benjamin Chapin in "The Son of Isaac."

Sunday, Feb. 23. Douglas Fairbank in "In Again Out Again." An Arcturion Picture and Lloyd V. Hamilton in "Roaring Lions and Wedding Bells."

Monday, Feb. 25. Special. A super-patriotic picture from Edward Everett Halls widely read story "The Man without a Country." Featuring Florence La Bodie. Also Burton Holmes Travelogue.

Tuesday, Feb. 26. Vivian Martin in "A Petitecot Pilot." A Paramount Picture. Also Paramount-Mack Senor Comedy in two reels.

Wednesday, Feb. 27. High School Operetta, Three Act Comedy "Crown of Gypsy Queen." All High School Talent.

Thursday, Feb. 28. Pauline Frederick in "Madame Jeannette." A Paramount Picture. Johnny Bunny in "Chumps." Also Universal Animated Weekly.

INCOME TAX MAN.

K. C. Stamey, income tax inspector, is in Clovis this week. Mr. Stamey is making headquarters at the Clovis National Bank, but Friday being a holiday, Mr. Stamey can be found at the Harvey House. He will have a desk in the lobby of the hotel on this day and will be glad to render assistance to income tax payers at this time. Saturday he can be found at the bank.

INCREASE IN CROP PRODUCTION URGED

Washington, Feb. 19. Planting of an increased acreage to spring wheat and the production of an increased supply of other food products and of livestock, especially hogs, is recommended in a supplementary food production program, issued today by the department of agriculture.

"Notwithstanding an increased production of staple crops in the United States in 1917, there is need for more food," the statement says. "Taking into account our own needs, the needs of the nations associated with us in the war, and the needs of friendly neutral nations, our best efforts will be required to provide enough food in 1918. Whether the war continues or not, the demands on this country, because of the increasing population and the needs of Europe, will be great."

NEW FOOD CONTROL BILL IS COMPLETED

Washington, Feb. 18. Specific authority for control of the manufacture and the distribution of food-stuffs and of public eating houses would be conferred upon the President in the food conservation bill completed today by the House Agricultural Committee.

Blanket authority asked for by Food Administration Hoover was withheld, the committee deciding to confine the measure to the features emphasized by Mr. Hoover at committee hearings, as absolutely essential in the food conservation program. A minority report is expected.

By controlling manufacture, the Food Administration would be able to enforce any rules it might make for conserving wheat and other essential food-stuffs by the use of substitutes. Control of distribution would enable the administration to relieve possible shortages in any section by shipping food from other parts of the country.

In the hearings before the committee Mr. Hoover said it was not desired to attempt general rationing, but that tight control of public eating houses was necessary to avoid waste and also to stimulate conservation in the home, many housewives having complained waste in hotels and restaurants.

Housewives and farmers are not affected by the measure.

STILL IN SESSION.

District Court is still in session and will have several days of work more before the terms work has been completed. Quite a few cases have been disposed of.

CHAUTAQUA WILL BEGIN MAY 14.

The Clovis Chautauqua by the Despatch-Horner Company will begin this year on May 14. This is about a month earlier than last year the Chautauqua program was highly interesting and the program for this year, which will be announced soon, contains plenty of good numbers.

Eight Cents per Pound Guaranteed Bean Growers

The New Mexico Pinto Bean has come into its own. The Grain Corporation of the National Food Administration will buy the entire production in New Mexico this year at 8c per pound. Farmers can now contract their bean crop for this year through the County Agricultural Agent and know just exactly what they will get for their crop.

- 1. The U. S. Food Administration will pay growers 8 cents per pound, choice selected basis, for pinto beans. 2. It will pay shippers 8.10 of a cent per pound for reconditioning, sackling and loading f. o. b. cars for shipment. 3. It will develop a market and so supervise selling that consumers will pay only reasonable prices. 4. Speculation and profiteering will be eliminated. 5. County agricultural agents or

county food administrators will furnish growers contracts.

- 6. Seventy-five per cent of the growers must sign contracts. 7. Lists of shippers who have signed contracts to handle beans for 8.10 of a cent will be furnished growers. 8. Growers will deliver beans when called for by the Food Administration to an approved shipper at local elevator and will receive cash on delivery. 9. In calling the price to 8 cents the Food Administration assumes that a large acreage of beans will be planted this spring. 10. The 8-cent price does not apply to the 1918 crop. If growers cooperate in the present plan, a permanent market should be established. 11. There will be no higher price than 8 cents. Beans for seed will be sold at cost to growers where needed. 12. Quick action is necessary. Act today. Ask your county agent or local Food Administrator for a contract. Sign and send it at once to Bean Division U. S. Food Administration, Denver, Colorado.

NAMING CLOVIS' SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Quite a little has appeared in the News about the proposed naming of the two school buildings in Clovis. The school board has decided that the following are the most appropriate and popular names suggested:

For West Side Building - La Casta, Thrift, Sunset, Washington, Excelsior.

For East Side Building - Independence, Vigil Avenue, Lincoln, Lee and Sunrise.

There is a printed ballot in this issue, cut it out and write your choice of the names above and mail to the school board. The result of the ballot will be announced later.

CLOVIS BOYS RECEIVE ANNAPOLIS DESIGNATION

During the past week Howard Mason and Thomas Stroud, seniors in the local high school, have received designations to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis as a result of the examinations conducted here before Christmas. Howard Mason received the designation of first alternate to the Academy from Congressman W. B. Walton, and Thomas Stroud was named second alternate to the same school by Senator A. A. Jones. These two were the only Clovis boys to take the examinations. More than forty boys wrote in various parts of the state.

First National to Increase Capital Stock to \$100,000

Following the announcement last week that C. W. Harrison, D. W. Dunn and associates had purchased the First National Bank in Clovis, comes the assurance from those interested that the capital stock of the bank will be increased from \$25,000 to \$100,000.

The officers of the bank under the management have not been made public but it is known that C. W. Harrison of Farwell will be president and actively at the head of the institution. Mr. Harrison is recognized as one of the best bank men in this section of the country and is interested in and president of several banking institutions in towns near Clovis. He has been exceptionally successful in a financial way. The purchasers of the First National will assume active control on March 1st. In conversation with the News man Mr. Harrison stated that he would erect a home in Clovis soon, but even before this, and by March 1st, he will be personally on the job.

G. P. Kuykendall of Mishawac, Texas, president of the bank there, will be directly associated with the bank here, and will also move to Clovis.

Mr. Harrison and his associates have been planning for some weeks to establish a fourth bank here. In fact, the deal had gone far enough along that a building had been purchased. The purchase of the First National and the decided increase in its capital stock will eliminate these plans, of course. Mr. Harrison and his associates do not give up their other banking interests in coming to Clovis, but rather these will work in harmony with the First National here and at the same time help to increase its scope of business.

Following are some of the stockholders who will be interested in the

- First National under its reorganization: C. W. Harrison, banker; D. W. Dunn, banker and stockman; G. P. Kuykendall, banker; S. J. Doykin, banker and stockman; A. W. Skarda, banker; J. M. Love, stockman; W. H. Dugsworth, stockholder; H. A. Miller, M. D., Santa Fe physician; Baker Bros., farm loans, abstracts, insurance; J. H. Shepard, cattle and land man; W. Reagan, Reagan Land and Cattle Co.; Harry E. Patton, Atty. General of New Mexico; P. J. Evans, Division Supt., Santa Fe; J. B. Helms, Trainmaster, Santa Fe; Sam. G. Bratton, Attorney; W. J. Stuart, Chief Clerk Santa Fe; Will H. Patterson, farmer; Mrs. Will H. Patterson; H. H. Stephens, Master Mechanic, Santa Fe; J. Foster Scott, M. D.; R. L. Gray, stockman; D. C. Honk, stockman; Jas. M. Bickley, County Supt. of Schools; J. M. Teague, stockman; E. T. Jernigan, of E. T. Jernigan Jewelry Co.; K. C. Childers, lumberman and Mayor of Clovis; Olyn Smith, M. D.; J. Simpson Morgan, farm loans and abstracts of Texas; W. H. Finney, millionaire capitalist of Amarillo, Texas.

In connection with the bank a \$25,000 loan company will also be organized, stockholders in the bank also holding stock in the loan company. The object of loan company will be primarily to handle livestock loans.

CITY COUNCIL HAS CALLED BOND ELECTION FOR APRIL 2

REPORT OF GRAND JURY.

Following is the report of the Grand Jury as returned to Judge Richardson last week:

To the Honorable Granville A. Richardson, Judge of the Fifth Judicial District Court, holding within and for Curry County, New Mexico.

We, the Grand Jury, impaneled at the regular February, 1918 Term, held at Clovis, Curry County, New Mexico, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have investigated all violations of the law which have come to our knowledge; we have examined 45 witnesses and have found 21 true bills and no No bills.

We have made a thorough investigation of the jail and the premises adjoining the jail and find everything in a reasonably sanitary condition; we recommend, however, that the windmill adjacent to the jail be put in running order and that the tank be cleaned.

We have examined the offices of the County Treasurer and County Clerk and find all of the books and records in said offices safely and neatly kept so far as we are able to judge, and we especially commend the present incumbents of these offices for the excellent care which they have taken of the records of their respective offices. We note that the drinking fountain heretofore installed in the court house is not at this time in working order, or has been abandoned, and we recommend that another drinking fountain be installed at the earliest possible time.

We have also examined the offices of the County Sheriff and the County Assessor, and the Superintendent of Schools, and find all of these offices in good condition and their records neatly and safely kept; with the exception that we find in the sheriff's office and in the assessor's office that there is great need of a vault in these offices in which to keep the records of the respective offices; and we recommend that vaults be placed in the offices of the sheriff and county assessor; and, inasmuch as we find that the vault in the treasurer's office is entirely too small to accommodate the records of that office, we also recommend that the vault in this office be enlarged to such extent that it will be large enough for the safekeeping of all the records in that office.

We wish to thank the sheriff's office for the prompt and efficient service rendered us; we also wish to thank the District Attorney and the court for the courtesies shown us through their offices.

And having completed our duties, we now ask the court that we be discharged.

Respectfully, THE GRAND JURY, By A. L. COX, Foreman.

WALTON FOR SENATE.

Hon. W. B. Walton, now congressman from New Mexico, has announced that he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for U. S. Senator.

Wanted: House and lot in Clovis, located right and worth the money. Cash deal. W. H. Bomberger. 11p

INCOME TAX MAN HERE THIS WEEK.

- A deputy income tax collector will be in Clovis on February 21, 22 and 23. He will be at the Clovis National Bank and will gladly explain the income tax law to anyone interested. A single man whose income is more than \$1,000 and a married man whose income is more than \$2,000 per year must pay income tax. If your income amounts to this and you have no exemptions you had better see the income tax man while in town. The government agent does not have to look you up - it is your job to see him.

At a meeting of the city council Monday night an election was called for the 2nd day of April to vote on the question of a \$75,000 bond issue to extend the water and sewer systems. It is planned, if the issue carries, to use \$50,000 in the extension of the water system and \$25,000 in the extension of the sewer system. The issues will be voted upon as separate propositions \$25,000 of the proposed issue for the water system is to be used in paying back a loan the council received during the past year to make improvements in machinery at the power plant. The proposed issue is to be 20 year bonds, bearing 6 per cent, with an option that they may be taken up in ten years.

In addition to the bond issue there will be an election for city officers. A mayor, four aldermen and a city clerk are to be selected at this time. The terms of Mayor Childers and Aldermen Nichols, Schaurich, Harris and Carter expire at this time. The other members of the council are hold-overs.

IN NEW HOME SATURDAY, MARCH 2

The Clovis National Bank will soon be in their new home, which is now about completed. This is one of the prettiest little bank buildings in eastern New Mexico, and the officers of this institution can well feel proud of the new bank home. The bank will move to the new quarters on Saturday, March 2nd, and they invite their friends to attend the opening. They will be open Saturday night for the benefit of those who are unable to visit them during regular banking hours.

PUTTING CLOVIS IN THE LINE LIGHT.

The morning Telegraph published in New York City one day this week carried a large advertisement of the Paramount Artcraft Pictures Corporation. The big ad showed Paramount Art Craft pictures were being shown at the Lyceum Theatre in Clovis and also at the Blaine Theatre, one of the big ones on Times Square. This speaks volumes for the progressiveness of Clovis. It is also a pleasure to show men, and it might also be added that a big advertisement as mentioned above does in part toward giving Clovis some wide publicity. The big advertisement has been framed and is on display in the window of the Southwestern Drug Co.

ANTONIO LUCERO IS NOW GOVERNOR.

Santa Fe, N. M., Feb. 18. - Secretary of State Antonio Lucero is now governor of New Mexico. He will be acting executive until the return of Governor W. E. Lindsey, who left last night for Chicago, accompanied by his daughter. The governor will attend the security congress to be held under the direction of the national security league. He will also address a patriotic meeting on Washington's birthday in one of the Chicago high schools. It was recalled at the capitol that today is the first anniversary of the death of Governor Esquivel C. de Ben, whose pathetic fight for life aroused the interest and sympathy of the entire state, and who, as governor never entered the executive office. It seemed a coincidence that Lindsey, who succeeded a Democrat 12 months ago, should be succeeded, even if temporarily, by a Democrat exactly a year later. Mr. Lucero was acting governor some week ago when Governor Lindsey was in California at Camp Kearny.

E. T. Hull, sales manager of the state of New Mexico for Western Oil, Refining and Chemical Co., of Oklahoma City, and who has offices in Clovis at the Antlers Hotel, has returned from a trip to Tucuman and points in the western part of the state where he has been appointing sub-agents.